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Attn: 104 (e) Task

Dear Sir,

This will acknowledge receipt of your 4/20/89 letter with reference to
CHW14, Request for Information about Artel/Roberts Chemical, Fike Chemical
Company.

This will confirm our phone conversation with Mr. Greg Miller and Technical
Section.

We, D.B.K. have had no contact with any one of the operations you have noted
in your packet other than with Elmer Fike of Fike Chemical Company. We,
D.B.K., have not had even our "technical" product Trichloromelamine manufactured
at the Nitro plant for many years.

When we first met Elmer Fike, we discussed the idea of him manufacturing our
Trichloromelamine. He was adamant about several points prior to letting our
product be compounded in his plant, for both his and our benefit.

Elmer requested, and received from the E.P.A. office in Washington, D.C.
(before Crystal City) an E.P.A. Establishment Number to manufacture Tri-
chloromelamine for our company's product, D.B.K. Disinfectant. He demanded
and we sent him a copy of our E.P.A. Registration Number. Our D.B.K. E.P.A.
Number is #8160, which has been in existence for more than 25 years.

At this time, Elmer Fike did decide to make our product for us, and did so
for 2-4 years. During the last period of time that he did manufacture our
product, we bid for and received a Department of Defense Industry Contract
to sell our E.P.A. Registered product to them.

1 of the product that Elmer made for us during that contract time (14-15
months) was inspected and ok'd for shipment to and used by all branches of
military services. You see, our D.B.K. Disinfectant is built to be used for

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disinfecting/sanitizing mess gear. It is allowed to be used in COLD water as well as HOT water.

I am almost positive that we, D.B.K., has not had anything done for us by Fike Chemical for more than 5 years. We have never had any business dealings what so ever with Roberts Chemical or Artel.

We now manufacture Trichloromelamine in our plant in Bowman, S.C.. The "offal" water from Trichloromelamine is treated with two chemicals and when that is done the water can, and does, enter the Septic System in always at or better than we receive it from our town water supply.

I did speak with several gentleman at Philadelphia and Washington concerning this information being sent to you. We do not keep all records for more than the government says we must, five (5) years. We have no records pertaining to our contractual word with Elmer Fike or his company.

Our D.B.K. formula for manufacture and compounding our Disinfectant formula is on record in Crystal City. Our "Confidential Statement of Formula" is in the office of Mr. Jeff Kempter, (E.P.A. #32). Jeff is the product manager and our primary contact with the U.S. E.P.A.

I hope, sincerely, that this letter will be of use to you regarding the requested information.

Sincerely,


H. Paul Powell
D.B.K. Inc.

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cc: Greg Miller
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